

# RED HIPS FRUIT; MORE FROST DUE

County Peaches Hit Hard, but Pears and Apples Escape

## NEW JERSEY CHERRIES HURT

Fruit growers and State and government agencies are checking up today on damage to fruit crops by frost. The damage has already been heavy, and the cold spell, according to Forecaster Bliss, is not yet over. "There will be more frost tonight," said Mr. Bliss, "and it will continue cold, but fair, tomorrow. North winds are expected to arrive at the National Farm School, Doylestown, about 50 per cent of the peach crop throughout Bucks County has been killed. There is one exception; the Chapman variety has come through 100 per cent good. Sweet cherries are all dead, but pears and apples seem to be all right. From other parts of the country, however, growers report 50 per cent loss to the pear crop and all plums killed.

## Pears Unharmed.

Conditions in Northern New Jersey, according to the experimental station at New Brunswick, are not so bad. Pears are all right, as are peaches. Apples are only slightly injured, late apples being all right. The pears survived, but cherries are 90 per cent killed. There is one exception; the Chapman variety in the Glensboro district are not alarmed. Apples have come through all right, they report, but some varieties of peaches are slightly injured. There will, however, be a plenty of fruit left. Early strawberries are badly hurt. The blossoms were not so susceptible to frost this year as last, as this year several days of cold weather preceded the frost. As a result the blossoms on the trees were hard, and had a very slight molting content as compared with last year. Last season the weather was very warm just preceding the freeze, the temperature being 84 degrees at 5 o'clock one afternoon, falling to 25 by 4 o'clock the following morning. Delaware was a heavy sufferer, according to growers in that State. Reports received at Dover, from various parts of Kent County, indicate the heavy frost had seriously injured those varieties of strawberries that were already in full bloom.

## Grapes Not Hurt

Grapes, according to reports, have not been seriously affected in the district. Peaches, apples and pears are believed to have been only slightly injured. The experimental station of the University of Delaware at Newark, however, reports a 30 per cent loss of peaches and apples in the district. Cherries were seriously blighted. In the extreme southern part of the State, at Georgetown, near the Maryland line, growers report a heavy loss of peaches, apples and pears. Some resistant growers fear a total loss of these crops. The frost did not reach this section until last night. The late varieties have a fighting chance. The next week will tell the tale, according to the growers.

## Reports from Laurel, Del., are to the effect that an inch thick formed on the living pools. The frost is said to have killed peaches, peaches and pears in the section.

According to Mr. Bliss the cold is due to an area of high barometric pressure which has moved eastward from the Middle West. It is moving more slowly than anticipated, therefore the cold lingers. The lowest temperature registered here during the night was 37 degrees.

## Steel Hoisery Worth \$308

Three cases of hoisery were stolen during the night from the Sklaroff Hoisery Company, 735 1/2 South Fourth street. The loot was valued at \$308. Entrance was gained to the place by forcing a door in the rear of the establishment. Police believe a wagon was used to haul away the loot.

## Skip-Stop Complaint Filled

Complaint against the skipstop at Fifty-third street and Woodland ave. was filed with the Public Service Commission in Harrisburg today by Robert A. Hall, 5323 Woodland avenue. Mr. Hall says the skip-stop is inconvenient and dangerous.

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## PREPARE TO FIGHT DRY LAW

Anti-Prohibition Association to Start Drive for Members. Committees will be organized in every ward of Philadelphia to work for the repeal of the Volstead act, according to the Pennsylvania Branch of the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment.

## HORSE RUNS AWAY 3 TIMES

Throws Rider, Narrowly Misses Death in Path of Train. Excitement of variegated sorts held for an hour or so in Roxboro yesterday while about half the population sought to capture a runaway horse and the other half sought cover.

The horse belonged to Harry Wilfong, a riding master, and he had assigned it to one of his pupils to whom he was giving a lesson. At Green lane and Ridge avenue the horse threw its rider and started down Wissahickon avenue until it reached the Reading Railway station. Here Richard Doran and Vincent Miles, a patrolman, made an unsuccessful attempt to capture it. The horse dashed down the tracks heading for the Williamsport express. It escaped death by not more than a second, in jumping away from the north-bound track.

## LADY ASTOR TO SPEAK

Invited to Attend Meeting of Women Voters, May 4. Lady Astor and distinguished women delegates from South and Central America and Mexico to the Pan-American Conference and Convention of the National League of Women Voters have been invited to attend the luncheon and conference of the Pennsylvania League of Women Voters to be held on Thursday, May 4.

More than 1000 Philadelphia and Pennsylvania women voters will assemble for the luncheon, the largest gathering of women preceding the primary election on May 18. The event will be staged in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford. Women will be urged to play a large part in the primary election.

# PLANE PLUNGES IN FLAMES; TWO DIE

Ex-Lieut. Vanderveer, Pilot, and H. L. Hafer, Passenger, Victims at Hatboro

## CROWDS GAZE IN HORROR

The pilot and passenger of an airplane were killed as their craft burst into flames and plunged 2000 feet to the earth near the flying field at Hatboro, Pa., at 5:15 last evening. The men in the plane were Charles Vanderveer, twenty years old, of Hook road and Poplar streets, Sharon Hill, the pilot, and H. L. Hafer, of 914 Spruce street, passenger. They were taken from the burning ruins a half hour later, their bodies unrecognizable. Fifty or more persons gazed horror-stricken as they saw the plane fall.

## DR. RICHMOND COMPLAINS

Clergyman Says Mob Is After Him in Wyoming. The Rev. George Chalmers Richmond, once rector of St. John's Protestant Episcopal Church, on North Third street, who became conspicuous here and elsewhere by a series of battles with ecclesiastical authorities, is in hot water again.

## Heat Blocks Rescuers

Persons from the Warminster Flying Field, near Hatboro, rushed to the scene, but they were helpless because the heat of the burning plane prevented them getting nearer than ten yards of the wreck. They could see the bodies of the men beneath the tangled wreckage.

## Family Awakened, Quench Fire

Sparks from an open fireplace caused a small fire in the home of Edward H. Goodman, 248 South Twenty-first street, shortly after midnight this morning. Members of the family, awakened by smoke, found the hardwood floor in front of the fireplace smoldering. It was extinguished with a bucket of water. Damage was slight.

and bridge, Vanderveer was ordered by the commandant of the detachment to take down his aerial. He was all but heart broken, the mother said. "Vanderveer went to the parochial school at Sharon Hill and later to St. Joseph's College in Philadelphia. While in the aeronautics school at Princeton he was commissioned a lieutenant in the flying corps. By an ironic fate he was chosen for the coroner's jury of sinners who sat over the death of three in an airplane accident last summer and which initiated rules for greater supervision of the air."

Vanderveer was in charge of the radio department of the Motor Paris Company at 1425 North Broad street. The lieutenant's mother said today he had been flying from the field at Hatboro every Sunday, and had expected to continue the flights during the summer. Mr. Hafer called Reading his home.

Hafer boarded at the Spruce street home. He was employed as an assistant chemist with the firm of Booth, Garrett & Blair, manufacturing chemists, 404 Locust street. He was twenty-four years old and has a father and five sisters living in Reading.

According to friends at the boarding house, Hafer was frequently flown with Vanderveer. He had never participated in any stunt flying, but he long nursed an ambition to loop-the-loop.

Hafer had many friends and one of the management where he was employed said, when informed of his death, "He will be sadly missed here, as every one thought a lot of Hafer."

Relatives are in the city today to claim the body, which is in an undertaking establishment near Hatboro.

## Held in \$8000 Hoisery Theft

Max Zuckerman, of 1331 South Third street, was held in \$2000 bail by Magistrate Henshaw today, charged with having secreted himself in the store of Jacob Singer, 244 South Third street, April 4, and then after the store was closed stealing \$8000 worth of silk hoisery. Detectives Shannon and Enzels, of the City Hall squad, went to another Third street store and purchased some hose which Singer said was his stock. The proprietor of the latter store said that it came from Zuckerman. Zuckerman was arrested when he could not produce a bill of sale for the goods. He denied the theft.

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A long program of lectures and exhibitions, open to the public, has been provided. "The Artists of Philadelphia" is the title of an illustrated talk to be given tonight by George Walter Dawson in the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Broad and Cherry streets. There will also be lectures and exhibitions in all the public schools.

A meeting in the Academy of Music last night, inaugurating the week, boomed the Sesqui-Centennial as the culmination of American art if properly conceived and carried through.

Few stages could boast such artists as those assembled under the auspices of the Philadelphia Forum. Present were Miss Violet Oakley, of this city, and Edwin H. Blashfield, of New York, both among this country's greatest mural painters; Charles Dana Gibson, sculptor and former president of the American Academy of Design; Cass Gilbert, New York, designer of the Woolworth Building, and Albert Kelso, of this city, renowned in the annals of American architecture. The Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tompkins spoke on the relationship of art and religion.

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